GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:338
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Revised Proposal for Polavaram Project
Maganti Shri Murali Mohan

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has sent a revised proposal to the Polavaram Project Authority with an estimated cost of Rs. 40,200 crore for rehabilitation, land acquisition etc., if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether all the clearances have been approved by the Union Government, if so, the details thereof;
(c) the funds sanctioned and released for the purpose so far; and
(d) the steps being taken by the Union Government for completion of the project by 2018?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

(Dr. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) No, Madam.

(b) Details of the clearances obtained are as below:
Sl. No. Clearance details Date
i. Site clearance from Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) 19.09.2005
ii. Environmental clearance from MoEF 25.10.2005
iii. Papikonda wild life sanctuary area clearance from MoEF 06.07.2006
iv. Clearance of Resettlement & Rehabilitation Plan for Scheduled Tribe Project affected families from Ministry of Tribal Affairs 17.04.2007
v. In Principle approval for diversion of forests area from MoEF 29.12.2008
vi. Investment clearance from erstwhile Planning Commission for Rs. 10151.04 crore at 2005-06 Price level 25.02.2009
vii. Final approval on Forest clearance from MoEF 28.07.2010

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(c) Polavaram Irrigation Project was included under AIBP during the year 2008-09. The Central Assistance provided to the State Government under AIBP is as follows:

S.No.	Year	Amount (Rs. Crores)
1	2008-09	225.00
2	2009-10	337.47
Total		562.47

The Project has been declared as National Project during 2014 vide Section 90 of Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014. The funds released to Polavaram Project Authority (PPA)after declaration of National Project are as follows:

S.No.	Year	Amount (Rs. Crores)
1	2014-15	250
2	2015-16	600
3	2016-17	100
Total		950

(d) An Expert Committee and Dam Design Review Panel have been constituted to review the progress of the projects periodically and to give technical inputs/suggestions to the project authority from time to time. Further, the progress of the project is reviewed by the State Government and PPA regularly for its completion in a time bound manner.

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